# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION July 26, 2019

The regular meeting of the Green Lake County Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors was called to order by Chair Lindsey Kemnitz at 8:30 AM on Friday, July 26, 2019 at Green Lake County Government Center, HHS Conference Room, 571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting laws were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present Mary Lou Neubauer Liz Otto Bob Gintoft

Harley Reabe Lindsey Kemnitz Scott Mundro (8:40)

Scott Sommers Ron Thiem

Also present: Cathy Schmit, County Administrator (8:55); Tony Daley, Berlin Journal; Carrie Solis, Marquette County Economic Development Coordinator; Beau Gellings, MPTC Economic and Workforce Development Business Representative

#### **MINUTES**

*Motion/second (Reabe/Sommers)* to approve the minutes from the June 20, 2019 meeting with no corrections or additions. Motion carried with no negative vote.

# **CORRESPONDENCE** – none

**PUBLIC COMMENT** (3 minute limit) – none

#### **EDC APPOINTMENT UPDATE**

Chair Kemnitz introduced new board member Ron Thiem.

#### GREEN LAKE COUNTRY VISITORS BUREAU (GLCVB) ADVERTISING REPORT

No new updates available at this time.

# TREASURER'S REPORT

County Clerk Liz Otto gave an update on the EDC checking account. The current balance as of June 30, 2019 is \$7,359.22. The housing grant checking account has a balance of \$95,703.14 as of June 30, 2019. Otto stated that she is waiting for a response from Horicon Bank on higher interest options for the housing grant checking account.

Motion/second (Neubauer/Reabe) to accept the treasurer's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### LISTING OF AVAILABLE PROPERTIES

Chair Kemnitz stated that available business properties used to be posted on the TREDC website but that is currently unavailable. She gave several options for websites including Locate in Wisconsin which advertises properties at no charge. Kemnitz has a login for the site and would be willing to help out or post properties if desired.

#### **BUSINESS ASSISTANCE CONTACTS**

Chair Kemnitz invited Beau Gellings, Economic and Workforce Development Business Representative at Moraine Park Technical College, to present information regarding training programs available through

MPTC. Gellings stated that he can help area businesses provide training for employees at little or no cost due to grant funding.

## **FUNDING ASSISTANCE**

Chair Kemnitz handed out information on KIVA loans which are available to small businesses via an online application. The loans are 0% interest with no fees. Kemnitz is hoping to have ADVOCAP at the next meeting to provide information on loans they have available.

# **ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR**

Discussion held on a possible summit and speakers for this year. This will be put on the next agenda.

#### **COUNTY BOARD PROPOSAL FOR 2020 BUDGET**

Discussion held on the \$10,000 contribution from the EDC to Green Lake Country Visitors Bureau. Scott Mundro will provide a request and information for the 2020 budget at the next meeting.

#### TREDC REPORT

RLF and Loan File Update

Mary Lou Neubauer handed out the current financial reports as of July 10. Six Green Lake County businesses currently have active loans. Site visits are being scheduled.

## **COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

Next regular meeting: August 16, 2019 @ 8:30 AM

**Future Agenda Items for action & discussion**: annual meeting, summit ideas, 2020 budget request from GLCVB, ADVOCAP funding

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion/second (Neubauer/Sommers) to adjourn at 9:35 AM. Motion carried with no negative vote.

Submitted by

Liz Otto

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County Clerk